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EDITORIAL.

NOTES AND COMMENTS.

The American, of Lake Charles,
La., says: "What shall we kill next,
the Lottery is dead?" Try your
hand on the liquor saloon.

Mr. J. D. Rockefeller gives \$25,000
to the Tugulu College, India, on
condition that \$50,000 be raised by
the first of August, next.

If you fail to read "G. H. Carter"
on Southern Baptist conservatism
in this issue of the paper, you will
miss one of the best things in it.

Brethren, these are the days to
pay up your accounts; please also
remember that THE BAPTIST RECORD
needs a dollar or two from each of
you.

The Lottery Company thought
the State of Louisiana was for
sale, but it turned out that they
were the people that had to sail—
up the river.

In an appreciated private letter
from Blue Mountain, Bro. W. T.
Lowrey says: "In spite of the hard
times our school is greatly prosper-
ous." And so it is, if 221 bright and
happy girls in its halls constitute
any measure of prosperity.

The article of Bro. Jno. T. Buck
on the State Sunday School Con-
vention and the Baptists is clear and
to the point. The suggestions of such
a level-headed and thoughtful man
are always worth considering whether
you accept them or not.

Bro. J. B. Hawthorne's father was
once a Missionary in Florida, where
the town of Hawthorne now stands
and soon the Doctor is to preach the
dedication sermon of a new Baptist
church erected there. God says,
"Them that honor Me, I will honor."

Among the many pleasant calls at
our home of late we number that of
President R. A. Venable, of Missis-
sippi College, as one of the most ap-
preciated; and, what is more, our
Miss Emma says: "He looks and
acts, from every point of view a
genuine College President."

We are glad to learn from Bro.
Mathis that the brethren are giving
him substantial encouragement
about his new church building at
Bay St. Louis. Let the good work
go on brethren. Mississippi Bapt-
ists have not lately had a more need-
ed or deserving service to perform.

Sister Willis, of Gallman, sends
cash for renewal in advance, and
dear, good woman that she is, puts
in several "apples of gold in pictures
of silver" in the way of kind and
helpful words. May she and hers
never lack for either soul or mate-
rial prosperity.

The anti-Lottery men in Louisiana
seem not to give full credit to the
Lotteryites in surrendering the
amendment contest. They suspect
that they have disappeared from one
part of the time with the view of
taking the contest by surprise at an-
other. They are watching and well
they may.

Let us hope that God will use the
death of Mr. Spurgeon to quicken
the zeal of many preachers in preach-
ing the gospel to sinners; and, that
the event may be the means of call-
ing the attention of many people to
his printed sermons and other writings
so that like Samson, his death may
be fruitful of good results.

We may not be capable of telling
just what rich people should do with
their money and time, nor may we
quite know just what we would
do if we were rich and had much
leisure time; but we need not be at
a loss to know what to do with the
money and time we now have.
"Whatever thy hand findeth to do,
do it with thy might."

We are doing our best to get
everything just right in this office.
In order that we might have it all
our own way, and on time, we
have taken "our John"
out of school and put him in the
office. His table is on our left—
close to our own desk so that every-
thing, if need be, passes under our
own eye. In this way, we hope to
make a better office record.

The Daily Tribune, a recent news-
paper venture in our city and under
the direction of Mr. P. H. Gambrell
& Co., is a bright and newsy paper.
It is well gotten up in every way
and seems to have encouraging pros-
pects. We suppose, of course, it
will be run in the interest of every-
thing that is good, and trust it will
meet with the encouragement that
such an enterprise deserves.

We hope the Vice-Presidents of the
three Boards of the Southern Bapt-
ist Convention for our State will
regard themselves invited "to walk
in" and will not hesi-
tate to make free with our
columns to advance their work. We
are grateful to Bro. E. B. Miller for
his good beginning in this number
of the paper. Don't fail to read
what he has to say.

We note an appreciated call from
Bro. M. B. Parker, one of our old
friends and parishioners at Shreve-
port, La. Time seems to sit lightly
on his head, but we were pained to
learn of the failing health of
his excellent wife. We remember
her as one of the brightest and most
hopefully healthful of that beloved
flock. Our prayer is that she may
be soon restored to health.

There are 22,500 Baptists in the
city of Richmond, 7,000 white and
15,500 colored. That is in a popu-
lation of 80,000, about one Baptist to
every three and a half of the popu-
lation. It would seem that they are
there for a purpose, more especially
if you call to mind that their contri-
butions amounted to \$120,000 last
year. If they live and pray as they
give, (and we doubt not they do),
they do well. The white Baptists
gave \$100,000 and the colored gave
\$20,000.

The American, of Lake Charles,
La., says: "The members of the
First Baptist church, of Lake
Charles, will commence a revival
meeting February 14, 1892. The
pastor will be assisted by Rev. T. J.
Walne, of Clinton, Miss. Public cor-
dially invited." Let all pray that the
Lord's blessing be upon the meet-
ing.

Bro. Womack opens up well at
Clinton. Those people know how to
appreciate a good thing and the new
pastor has a magazine full to them,
and knows how to dispense them.
We shall not be disappointed in our
expectations concerning the new
pastorate as to good results. Mean-
while we hope to have frequent in-
teresting communications from his
facile pen.

It is now stated, on good author-
ity, that the Government of England
has been "furnishing money to send
paupers and criminals to this coun-
try." If that be true, we don't won-
der that they have been pestered by
anarchists and dynamiters who have
laid the plans and concocted the
plots in this country that have been
turned loose over there.

Dr. W. M. Taylor says: "Better
a star than a meteor; better a beam
that is steady than a marsh fire
that is flickering and changeable. Life
is more potent than words. By life,
"without a word," things will be ac-
complished which could not be se-
cured even by the most glowing
words without the life." He could
not have driven the center more
completely out of some religious
things in this age if he had aimed
at it.

That story about the Lottery
crowd, in New Orleans, importing a
lot of Winchester Rifles pending the
election, causes it to appear that Dr.
B. M. Palmer, was not premature in
warning the people of the danger of
violence in the contest. People who
have planned to carry an election by
force of arms rather than by defeat-
ing the opposition need to be watched.

Is it not a little singular that just
now while the higher and lower
critics are busy in trying to demol-
ish the Bible that the Christian people
are also busy in preaching the
gospel at home and sending it
abroad? Or maybe it is the reverse,
that when the devil found out that
God was moving His people to do
great things for His cause, He went
to work and stirred up His people—
the critics—to do great things to
hinder? Well, in any event the
gospel is being preached everywhere
and we are glad.

Mr. James G. Blaine gives it out
that he will not be a candidate for
President of the United States, at
the approaching National Republican
Convention. This may give satis-
faction to some of the aspirants of
his party, but in our opinion if we
are to have a Republican for our
next President, Mr. Blaine is by all
odds the best man for the place. He
is the best informed man in his par-
ty, he has a long experience in gov-
ernmental matters, has been greatly
mellowed and modified by age and
could have little or no personal am-
bition. He would doubtless admin-
ister the affairs of the country main-
ly for the good of the people.

EDUCATING A PREACHER.

The following from the Examiner
is so much to our mind that we give
it a place in our editorial columns.
Education has done for Dr. Broadus
just what it ought to do for every
preacher who has the advantage of
the schools. Not that all of them
can come up to him, but they should
try to be just as simple and as
natural as possible. We are sure
that a little effort would produce
marked changes in this respect, but
we fear that many prefer plumposity
to simplicity as they regard it as
word of greatness.

It is related that Dr. John A.
Broadus that after he had made
one of his best speeches in favor of
endowing Richmond College, a plain
Virginia planter rose and said:
"Brother Moderator, I am a
plain, uneducated man. I've heard
a great deal said about the scholar
who spoke just now, and I listened
carefully to what he had to say, and
I did not hear him say a single
word that I did not understand.
Now, sir, if educating a preacher
makes him talk that way, I want
to help, and so I'll give fifty dollars
to help endow Richmond College."
If the story is true, Dr. Broadus
never received a higher compliment
than that; and all who have ever
heard him, on platform or in pul-
pit, know that it was not mere
compliment, but unvarnished
truth.

Unfortunately, educating a
preacher does not always make
him talk that way, because not
every man is a Broadus. A theo-
logical seminary can do no more
than make the best out of such
material as the churches send to it.
One cannot expect good flour unless
good wheat is put into the hopper.
A lapidary can polish a diamond,
a ruby, or even an ordinary quartz
pebble, but the most skilled lapid-
ary in the world cannot put a polish
on a lump of putty. We must not
expect impossibilities of our
educational institutions. There
must be something to educate,
something worth educating, in the
first instance.

And even granting the
of a mind worth educating, we
must not expect impossibilities.
The luminous simplicity that
marks the sermons and addresses
of Dr. Broadus is the highest
product of culture, and is found
only in the exceptional few who
have the industry, and good taste,
and mental power necessary for
the attainment of the highest
excellence. One may be pardoned,
perhaps, for guessing that Dr.
Broadus, in his early days, was
not so simply natural in diction as
he is after the practice of years as
a public speaker. It would be pay-
ing him no compliment to assume
that he has learned nothing in a
long and useful career. We must
not ask our seminaries to turn us
out Broaduses. It is enough if
they start young men on the right
path, and leave them to do the
rest themselves. More than this
it would be unreasonable to demand.

Nevertheless, we are persuaded
that many young preachers make
a mistake in not setting for them-
selves a sufficiently lofty ideal.
Education, genuine education,
makes a man simple in diction,
clear in style. It is only the half-
educated man whose speech is
muddy and inflated. Profundity
is not obscurity. The deepest and
most solemn truths are capable of
statement in simple words. It is
because Dr. Broadus is a scholar,
a profoundly versed in religious
truths, that he is able to speak
so that a plain man can under-
stand every word he says. It
is the man that only half knows
what he is talking about, who
conceals his ignorance in a cloud
of verbiage and confuses his hearers.
With some this may pass for
profundity, as a mud-puddle seems
bottomless because nobody can see
any bottom; but the puddle is not
shallower than the preacher who
uses big words to conceal his
ignorance. He may do it con-
scientiously, or he may do it uncon-
scientiously to conceal his ignorance
from himself; in either case he is a
shallow pretender.

Let us have simpler, more direct,
preaching and speaking. The
average plain man can comprehend
ideas both subtle and profound, if
the speaker is one of enough learn-
ing to state deep things in simple
words. But to do this he must be
a man widely read; a scholar, one
who has pondered long on divine
truths.

We are credibly informed that
the American Baptist Publication So-
ciety will soon bring out a life of
Mr. Spurgeon, prepared by Dr. H.
L. Wayland. We have no doubt it
will be a book of great value, and
will be looked for with eager inter-
est.

OUR OBSERVATORY.

The Religious Herald is a great
champion of Northern interests in
the South. It wants a branch house
of the Publication Society estab-
lished at Richmond. How would it
do for the Society to establish
bureaus for the Herald in the several
States? It might be a good way to
advertise.—We are very friendly
to our Northern brethren, but at the
same time we are sure that it is our
duty to stand by the work of our
own Convention, and we are unwill-
ing to act in such a way as to dis-
turb the Baptists across the line by
too great demonstrations of our love.
We do not condemn the work of the
Society, however, but commend it.

Rev. W. D. Bene visited us, and
preached two fine sermons in the
Oxford church, the first Sunday in
this month. We shall be glad to see
him again soon.—It is not long be-
fore the Convention meets in Atlan-
ta. Is it not time for the brother
who wishes to be known and seen
and heard, to send out to the several
Baptist papers the resolutions he
proposes offering at the approaching
session? It will bring him to the
front. We have seen it tried.—
It was a great pleasure to meet Bro.
Zealy in his home at Winona a few
evenings ago, and have him talk to
us of the noble men of God who lived
in Carolina in the past. Richard
Fuller was at one time his pastor.

We were sorry to find Brother
and Sister A. V. Rowe in distress
over the serious sickness of one of
their children. They have lost two
children within the last year. May
the Lord be very gracious to them.
—Rev. E. L. Wesson was to spend
last week in preaching at Clear
Creek Academy. Bro. Whitten and
the Misses Durham have quite a
flourishing school at Clear Creek.
What a blessing it would be if every
community had a fine school.

Our old Seminary friend, Rev. J. L.
Lawless, is said to be very popular
in Marion, Ala., where he is pastor.
People of all denominations love
him, and he is pastor of the whole
town. Lawless is a good fellow, but
we fear from this report that he is
not doing much good. Great and
widespread popularity is not the best
evidence that a Baptist preacher
is doing the most for his own church.
Better less popularity and more ag-
gressiveness.—We wonder if Spur-
geon did not have some members in
his church who regarded him as a
rather poor preacher.—The Breth-
ren of the Yalobusha Association had
a fine fifth Sunday meeting at
Hardy.—We greatly enjoyed sev-
eral hours ride over the Georgia Pa-
cific last week with Brother Sellers,
who was looking after the interests
of the Express Company with which
he is connected. He is a worthy
son of Brother Sellers, of Starkville.

—The Baptist Courier has had a
discussion over the frequent changes
of pastors. We do not presume that
it will effect in the least any brother
who may be disposed to change. For
our part, we are not a little dis-
gusted with this everlasting puffing
of the men who hang on to their
churches whether they are doing any
good or not.—A preacher may
stay with some churches ten or
twenty years, and be very useful,
while with others he could not re-
main two, or possibly not more than
one.—Rev. J. G. Chastain, one of
our missionaries to Mexico, writes
us a most kind and appreciative note
about THE RECORD. We do not de-
serve all he says, but are thankful to
him for his good opinion. Bro. C. is
well and favorably known by the
brethren of Oxford.—And here is
a note from Rev. J. G. Bostick, of
Canton, China. Brother Bostick is
doing well in his work of preaching
Christ to the heathen. May he re-
ceive reinforcements soon, to suc-
ceed in his noble and yet another.
This time it is from Dutchland, and
it is from Bro. J. W. Provine, of
Göttingen. Can you not tell THE
RECORD something of the Baptists in
Germany?—We have the promise
of letters from our Seminary by a
brother who will become our regular
correspondent. He can do it well,
and we are happy to be able to make
this announcement.—"Were you
not wrong in saying that it was
blasphemous to speak of Paul's
writings lightly?" Not at all. Paul
was inspired by the Holy Spirit, and
to speak contemptuously of the work
of the Holy Spirit is the worst
blasphemy, and hath not forgive-
ness either in this world nor in
the world to come. God pity the
individual who has so little rever-
ence as to speak of Paul as a crusty
old bachelor.—The latest from the
North Carolina dollar paper was
the sending out of circulars proposing
to give it to subscribers for eighty
cents. Any one who may get sub-
scribers for twenty cents out of the dollar.
We wonder why it is not given away.

—The Biblical Recorder is about
one of the very best papers which
comes to our table. It has
good, practical editorials which can
be understood by any one. It is

right square upon the Bible, and so
cranks, fanatics, and isms of all
kinds receive no encouragement.
Brother Bailey is not afraid to speak
his mind. The Recorder has the sup-
port of all the North Carolina saints.
—Some people will not take THE
RECORD because it says so much
about money for missions. Yes,
and many do not read the Bible for
the reason that it tells them what
the duty is, and they are unwilling
to do it. God pity the man who
loves his money more than he does
his God. He will have neither in
this land of dark despair.

—The Baptist church, of Atlanta,
Ga., "I must have THE RECOR-
DER," which he hands over the
money. Dick is all right, and his
people are saying: "We have one of
the best of preachers and a great
worker." The success of any good
man is assured with such backing as
that, but alas for the preacher when
his people talk him down, and in-
timidate every church in creation
has better pastor than they.—
"Some of the worst critics I know
are the least competent." Just so.
The intelligent have breadth enough
to make allowances. The easiest
people in the world to please are the
cultured in heart and head.—We
know a field in a distant State that
is struggling to get a \$1,500 preacher
on a \$750 salary. They have been
sampling the brethren for the last
six months, and have not found the
strong man their exquisite taste de-
mands yet. A little prayer would
make them less critical and more
liberal.—"Ours is a very impor-
tant pastorate, and we must have a
strong man to fill it. Can you tell
us where to find him?" What kind
of strength do you wish him to have,
physical, intellectual, or spiritual?
We know a veritable Samson who
may be just the man you are looking
for.

The Baptists of Mississippi are
taking steps for the organization of
a Baptist church and the building
of a house of worship at Bay St.
Louis, a beautiful town of 3,000 in-
habitants on the Gulf Coast.—Bapt-
ists of Mississippi, that is true brother;
and we are sure that town is the
best place for a Baptist church.

We think Bro. Huff's emphasis in
his article is probably a shade more
heroic than the case demands. In
the first place, the piece by Dr. Mac-
Arthur, clipped from The Christian
Inquirer, was sent us by a brother
who we believed did have the advan-
tage of a course at Mississippi Col-
lege but was not at the Seminary
nor has he yet attained to the mystic
degree of D. D. He is somewhat
like Bro. Huff, a plain, common sense
man who believes that the churches
should not put men into the ministry
until they, by education, study and
practice show an aptness to teach.

In the second place, we didn't un-
derstand Dr. MacArthur as holding
that men must of necessity as a pre-
requisite to the ministry pass
through a college and seminary
course, but only and wisely to sug-
gest that while the college or semi-
nary men or both had the young
men in charge to "bray" them well
in their preparation mortars so that
they might not only pray when they
come in the pulpit.

So far from the churches being de-
pendent on the college and seminary
graduates for the ministerial force to
preach the gospel to the world it is a
fact that if all of the undergraduates
were removed perhaps nine out of
ten of all of our pulpits would be va-
cant. And, furthermore, we know
a number of men, from observation,
designate the College and Seminary
graduates at one of our Baptist State
Conventions.

The article in this issue on "Dele-
gates," by Dr. B. Griffith, of the
American Baptist Publication Soci-
ety shows very clearly how things
denominational are drifting in the
North. We have no doubt it is all
in the right direction. A represen-
tative constituency in all of the gen-
eral meetings of Baptists only, is in
strict accord with our church polity.
Without doubt it serves a bet-
ter purpose in securing the attention
and enlisting the energies of our
people. That great society has done
well in its old way but it will find
this change is effected that it will do
better. They have our best wishes
for success.

By some mischance the number-
ing of our paper got one number
ahead of what was right. Last
week was Vol. 16 No. 1. You will
observe that it remains the same
this week, which is the correct
number.

"Our Editorial Correspondence"
should have appeared in last week's
issue, but was overlooked on the file
of copy until it was too late to get it
in. It will, however, be none the
good reading.

BRIEF MENTION.

THE SPRINGFIELD MEETING.

After nearly a month's absence
from the State, I return to find a
letter announcing the death of
ELD. S. J. HITT.

Of the Springfield Association,
Grand old hero, he has gone to his
reward. I knew him well, and it
always seemed to me, that no more
transparently sincere and good
man lived. He was in his eighty-
first year. How long he had been
a minister I do not know, but for
long years, far beyond the average
life, he was a most devoted man.
He was ripe for the Master's
sickle. Though dead he yet speak-
eth.

For three weeks, I aided Pastor
O. O. Fletcher in a meeting with
the First Church, Springfield, Ill.
This is a strong church, 700 mem-
bers, many of them wealthy, intel-
ligent and devout. They have a
good house located near the
Capitol Square. The gospel was
preached, we sung and prayed; the
Lord gave us a rich blessing.
Between thirty and forty were
added to the church and twenty
more perhaps were converted, many
of whom will unite with the
church. I found the people cordial
and warm-hearted. I was glad I
didn't kill them in the war. One
man who was on the opposite side
in the battle of the Cross Roads
was converted most hap-
pily and united with the church.
It was a gracious time. I found
human nature, sin and grace the
same in Illinois as in Mississippi.
As sin reigned, grace did much
more reign. From Springfield I
went to Nashville to attend the
WORKER'S CONVENTION.

What a beautiful city is Nash-
ville! Our cause there is progress-
ing well. Secretary Frost reports
favorably of the prospects of the
Sunday School Board. The con-
vention was a great success, over
200 delegates from abroad reported.
The discussions ranged high. The
spirit was aggressively good. The
effects were manifest. Evangelist
Stearns, assisted by Brethren Hall
and Hoyle were secretaries. These
notes must be brief and therefore,
no special mention can be made.

J. B. GAMBRELL.
CHRONICLES.
L. A. D.

The Chronicler failed to notice,
last week, the removal of Eld. J. E.
Brunston to Toombsville. He expected
to locate in Hickory, where he
preaches steadily half his time, but
could not secure a suitable house for
a pastor's home. Bro. B. also sup-
plies the church at Toombsville, and
the brethren kindly furnished him
transportation. We wish him great
joy in his new home, and pleasant
pastorates.

Elder A. Gressett preaches as op-
portunity permits. His family have
all been quite sick, and are not well
yet. Elder S. L. Robbins still feels
the loss of his home, but is cheer-
ful. Elder A. A. Powell has moved
down towards Sagesville. Elder C. S.
Ray has returned to Alabama; but
Elder S. O. Y. Ray is comfortably
domestic in the city, though gener-
ally out in his field of labor.

So far, no mention has been made
of our city pastors. Dr. Hozeman,
of the First church, has recovered
from the gripe, and has been made
glad by the return of his estimable
wife from the Medical Institution,
in New York, evidently improved in
health. Pastor Lee, of Forty-first
avenue, has just enjoyed a visit from
his good mother, and his excellent
helpmeet is greatly pleased home. Pastor
Cook has secured eligible quarters
near the Highland church, and alter-
nates morning and night services
every Lord's Day there and at the
South Side. Pastor David had to
succumb to the gripe, brought on,
possibly, by faithful pastoral work;
but is out again.

Dr. Sproules is expected here this
week to hold a series of meetings at
the First church. He hopes to re-
ceive liberal contributions towards
the new church edifice at Jackson.
Our denomination ought to have a
building as convenient, spacious and
elegant, if not superior, to any other
in the State Capital. It is true that
we emphatically refute the charge
of ignorance and bigotry, and boldly
declare and uphold our principles,
not in the country only, but every-
where. Let the fact be fully under-
stood that Baptists have more edu-
cated ministers, more institutions of
learning and broader views than
any, if not all, other Christian peo-
ple in the State, and are far ahead in
the number of communicants. Not
that we should boast, but that we
should repel erroneous charges.

In these days of claimed liberal
views it becomes nec- essary to press

scripture truths, and insist upon a
"thus saith the Lord" for departures
from the old paths—the paths of
Jesus and His apostles. Mere for-
mality must be put in its true light,
and non-conformity to the world be
pressed more firmly. There are
those who profess to be Christians,
and may even belong to some church,
who practically deny the power of
the gospel. Are we living "in the
last days," referred to by Paul in
his second letter to Timothy, third
chapter? When politics is estimat-
ed above morality, surely danger is
not far distant. No plea of party
can consistently be allowed to excuse
a vote for legalizing lottery, or per-
petuating the saloons and their in-
fluences.

Baptist churches have many moral
courage and thoughtless votaries of
pleasure and fashion, it would seem.
Such are afraid of "public opinion,"
of worldly ridicule, of hints of lib-
eral views or bigotry. Who makes
public opinion, and who is it? How
long do the so-called pleasures last,
and what are they worth? From
whence comes fashion, and where
does it lead? These are questions
to ponder, and for Christians to
answer first to themselves and
then to God. If each is to "give ac-
count of himself unto God," it is
time to be getting answers ready.
Moral cowardice will never build up
a church, and will never save a peo-
ple. On the other hand, a few righteous
will, for even Sodom would have
been spared "for ten righteous."
Occasionally one of these nominal
Baptists will slip into some other
fold where it is supposed greater
"personal liberty"—i. e., do as you
please, is allowable.

Speaking of Baptists and educa-
tion, calls to mind the fact that Meri-
dian wants Mississippi College. It
needs such an institution. If it can-
not get that, it must get some other.
Ample ground and buildings will be
offered. A better location, all
things considered, cannot be found
in the State. No unfriendliness to
Clinton is felt. Far from it. But
calm judgment indicates that a new
location nearer a large city, where
the denomination is strong, would
enlarge its operations and increase
its usefulness. This has been the
history of other removals. Nor is it
believed that a removal will materi-
ally hurt Hillman Female College.
Further, Meridian is as near the
geographical center of the State as
Clinton, if the center be near Kos-
ciusko, and much more accessible,
with probable increased facilities
soon.

A call from our old Senior, who
has been out among the people in
other parts for a month or more,
was one of the pleasant occurrences
this week. He reported a fine re-
vival meeting at Springfield, Ill.,
with nearly forty accessions to the
church. He also spoke well of the
Worker's Conference at Nashville,
Tenn., which made fine impressions
upon the people generally. We hope
to have a full account of the Con-
ference and also of his Northern visit,
for THE RECORD. He looks as if the
people had treated him well, and has
only good words to say about them
in all of his rounds.

EDITORIAL CORRESPONDENCE.

110 GEORGIA AVENUE, ATLANTA.

After struggling for two days be-
tween an earnest desire to visit my
parents, who were sick in Carolina,
and my natural aversion to leaving
home, I finally succeeded in getting
a start, being joined at the depot by
a good brother of our church who
was on his way to his farm beyond
Memphis. With one so companion-
able as Brother Holloway, the time
passed only too swiftly between Ox-
ford and Hot Springs. After our
separation, time hung heavily on
my hands, and more so because of
the appreciable absence of one
whose presence and interesting con-
versation would have been a guaran-
tee against anything approaching
loneliness, and would have made the
long hours of waiting for connections
glide swiftly away. But such is life.
We are destined to travel different
roads, and must often be separated
from those who seem best capacitated
to cheer our hearts and help us
bear the ills of life. Often, alas,
these separations are painfully sad
because of the assurance that the
final farewell has been said, and we
are destined never to meet in this
world again.

On and on I went, hoping to meet
some one I knew, but this pleasure
was denied me, even though I looked
carefully at Corinth for some signs
of Brother McComb. I was informed
by a gentleman, a resident of the
city, who was evidently not a Bapt-
ist, judging from his ignorance of
the great work "the sect everywhere
spoke against" was doing in his
community. He had an intelligent
face, knew Brother McComb, and
was able to point out the Baptist
church to me; but could give precious
little information beyond the fact
that Brother McComb usually came

down to the depot each day. I do
not think he knew that the Baptists
of Corinth were engaged in building
a beautiful house of worship, and he
had possibly never heard of the
great revival the church had a year
ago. Really, I was surprised that he
did know as much as he did. This
gentleman was not alone. There are
thousands of good people whose ig-
norance of Bible principles and
practices as held by Baptists, is
astonishing. If they should ever
take the trouble to inform them-
selves, methinks they would be as-
tonished to find a people living
among them who, in this day of de-
partures from the old paths in almost
everything, were doing just as the
Savior and the apostles did over
eighteen hundred years ago. They
would see that these people were
doing things so nearly in accord with
what was in the New Testament that
they might reasonably infer that
they had never read a prayer book,
a confession of faith, or a discipline,
and that they knew only the New
Testament. Why Brother McComb
did not come down to the train on
that particular day, I am not anxious
to know; but I am exceedingly an-
xious to know why otherwise well-
informed people will persist in re-
flecting upon their intelligence by
not informing themselves as to what
are the principles and practices of
Baptists. I would be ashamed, were
I in their places, to know so little.
As I went by at a rapid rate I got

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which water ought to be to

The Home and Foreign Boards are
 ne in the Centennial movement,
 The Home Field is to become strong
 for the sake of the Foreign Field.
 And the field is the world. Our
 Home Missionary work grows in
 importance yearly. And to neglect
 its demands is to endanger the
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 work our home missionaries are
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religious services 1,535. And what blessings follow these services. Average weekly baptisms 103, weekly

additions 192. And the works is not expensive. The cost per capita, to the entire membership of the churches of the Southern Baptist Convention was (last year) less than one-third of a cent per week. That is if every Baptist within the convention limits had given one and one half cents every month to Home Missions, the B'ard could have paid the entire cost of this whole work, and had money left in the treasury. ("From Dr. Tichenor's last lecture.") Should you want your money invested where there will be great and immediate results send it to the Home Missions.

LETTER FROM DIAZ.

HAVANA, Cuba, Jan. 20, 1892.

DEAR DR. TICHENER—Your date January 15, was received. About two months ago I send a list with all the names of our twenty five scholars, and names of teachers and what kind of tuition we give them, to Mrs. Armstrong, of Baltimore, and beside this, with all the particulars about each one of the ten they have already select. I spoke in my letter how large are the rooms, that they

There is not other idea that has been received so well by the citizens of Havana as the establishment of a school of this kind.

Now, let me tell you some information in order you may use. Our school have ninety-two daily pupils. From these I select twenty-five intelligent, and the orphanage. Ten were educated on the school as boarders since the month of October 1. We occupy the fourth part of the building the Board bought for the church purpose. The cost of each

My mother is in charge of the Board.

My wife in charge of needle work and trimming department.

Miss Julia Lazano, in charge of the infant class.

Minnie, in charge of piano, organ and singing; class of spelling.

Myself, first reading and Bible class. Finnish Spanish Grammar.

Writing, geography, Europe, arithmetic, geometry, tip-writer.

We commence to work at 6 o'clock a. m., and get through at 5 p. m. Then, sister and my wife are in charge of the boarders.

AN INCIDENT.

Last Sunday after the services, I was called for one of the brethren in charge of the church collection, and gave me an envelop which was found on the basket's collection, addressed to me. I open and find a letter and a note-bill for \$500 (Spanish paper). The letter have only four lines, and

"Take this money and buy twelve sewing-machines; make a present of them to twelve of the young ladies who are able to sew."

"UNBELIEVED,"

"I was not pleased with the signature, and was sure that it was, in order to give that money back, but I can't find it, and conclude to get twelve sewing-machines for them, so I bought twelve."

"But I have the idea if I understand who is the person that put his unbelievered money on the Lord's treasure, to give back right away."

"What do you advise me? You think I can write or wrong?"

Mother's, \$27 for missionary work
 and school.
 My wife do not charge, nothing.
 Miss Julia Lozano, \$20.
 Minnie, \$34.
 Myself, nothing.
 But somebody needs to take my
 place, because it is too much for me,
 and the salary will be \$34. I have a
 very intelligent lady who is a Christian,
 that are willing to accept this
 call.
 Please be so kind as to drop a line
 to Miss Armstrong and tell her
 what you think will interest them
 from this account I give you, be-

been miss on the mail. Did you have a good trip? Are well now Good-bye. Yours in Christ,
DRAZ.

IF YOUR BACK A HES,
Or you are all worn out, and good for nothing, it is general debility.
BROWN'S IRON BITTERS.
It will cure you, cleanse your liver, & give

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